

J'ai le goût de Quebec!

Senate to reconsider fee differential

The University Administration is trying to get Senate to reverse its stand of last month against the 300% fee increase for visa students. Monahan can't stand the fact that Senate voted against him and is having the motion resurrected again this month through the Budget Committee. This shows a complete disregard, not just for the Senate's decision, but also for the opposition of students and faculty to the racism of the selective fee increase.

Monahan wants to limit the Senate to three alternatives for raising the

lost revenue if the fee increase is rejected again: a general budget reduction across the board of 0.15%; more specific budget reductions; or fundraising. This is just further evidence of his determination to enforce the government's increase, despite his claim to be "opposed". Our goal is not to find a way to live with the increase, but to force the Ontario Government to cancel it altogether. Then there will be no budget deficit to worry about. This goal is not out of reach - if there is widespread op-

position from students and working people to the increase and if universities refuse to collect it - the government would find it almost impossible to continue this policy.

Finally, why should we accept the government's or the Laurentian University Administration's priorities in budget cutting? Across the province faculty are being laid off, funding is being cut, class sizes are increasing. At the same time university bureaucracies consume more

and more money and the province found \$50 million plus to build a concrete monument to an ex-premier at the University of Toronto called the "John P. Robarts Memorial Research Library."

Monahan claims that Laurentian University will lose \$20,000 if visa students are not forced to pay triple the fee other students pay. We suggest: take a poll on who is "The Most Useless Administrator" - and use his salary!

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NSD panel from left to right: dan roy, nancy slawny dave fluri, phil ? popovich, claire marie fortin, rick hoffman & maryann pringle

NSD - a mixed success

The Plenary sessions that was to be the focus of Laurentian's National Student's Day hosted as few as 50 students and never much more than 100 students in the entirety of its two hours. Workshop motions were presented to the panel and voted on by the students present. None of the motions presented were rejected. And only a few sparked any debate, much less genuine opposition. This was not surprising as many motions were the apple and mom genre, also students who were opposed probably showed their opposition and/or lack of concern by simply not appearing at the plenary.

The first motion to spark any debate was from the student press workshop. They asked that it be resolved that the students of Laurentian University condemn the undemocratic and arbitrary action of The Federation of Students of the University of Waterloo in closing the Students' Newspaper, The Chevroon, and that students support the Free Chevroon in its struggle against the anti-democratic actions of the Waterloo students federation. James Thiers, along with Doug Hamilton came up from Waterloo to represent the Chevroon.

They took the floor and gave a brief sketch of the events that led up to the closing of their paper for those who were unfamiliar with the facts. He also fielded some questions but the debate never got into the nitty gritty of student council - student press relations. The press workshops four resolutions were passed with relative ease. The workshops also presented a resolution regarding editorial content and also a resolution that Lambda give its attention to the upcoming municipal elections. The local government plans to shift more of its tax burden on the university and this may affect residence rent rates as well as other services. Behind the motion was the belief that if students made better use of their rights as citizens, on the local scene, they could have a beneficial effect on the system. Another motion from the press workshop dealt with the legal status of Lambda in particular. The present situation is unclear in that there have been at least five constitutions since the paper first published in 1960. The paper is now functioning more on traditional relations that have evolved than on hard and fast rules.

Should a genuine conflict arise the press could find itself in a limbo of red tape. The resolution presented asked that "... the students of Laurentian recognize the need for an autonomous student press and that action be taken to develop a system that would ensure the autonomy of Lambda, while at the same time maintaining a method of guaranteeing that the newspaper remain ultimately responsible to the students." Presently there are avenues through which students, etc., who are not directly involved in production can exercise their powers. A referendum approving a constitution that would remedy these problems at the SGAIU spring general election is the logical course of action.

The Plenary Session also supported the concept of free-tuition as well as a living stipend for students. The immediate possibilities of that eventuality are problematic and equivalent to a snow ball's life span in hell. As a long range objective though it is the solution that is gaining more support; even in the minds of some parliamentarians. In Quebec for instance community colleges (CEGEPS) now have free tuition for residents of that

province.

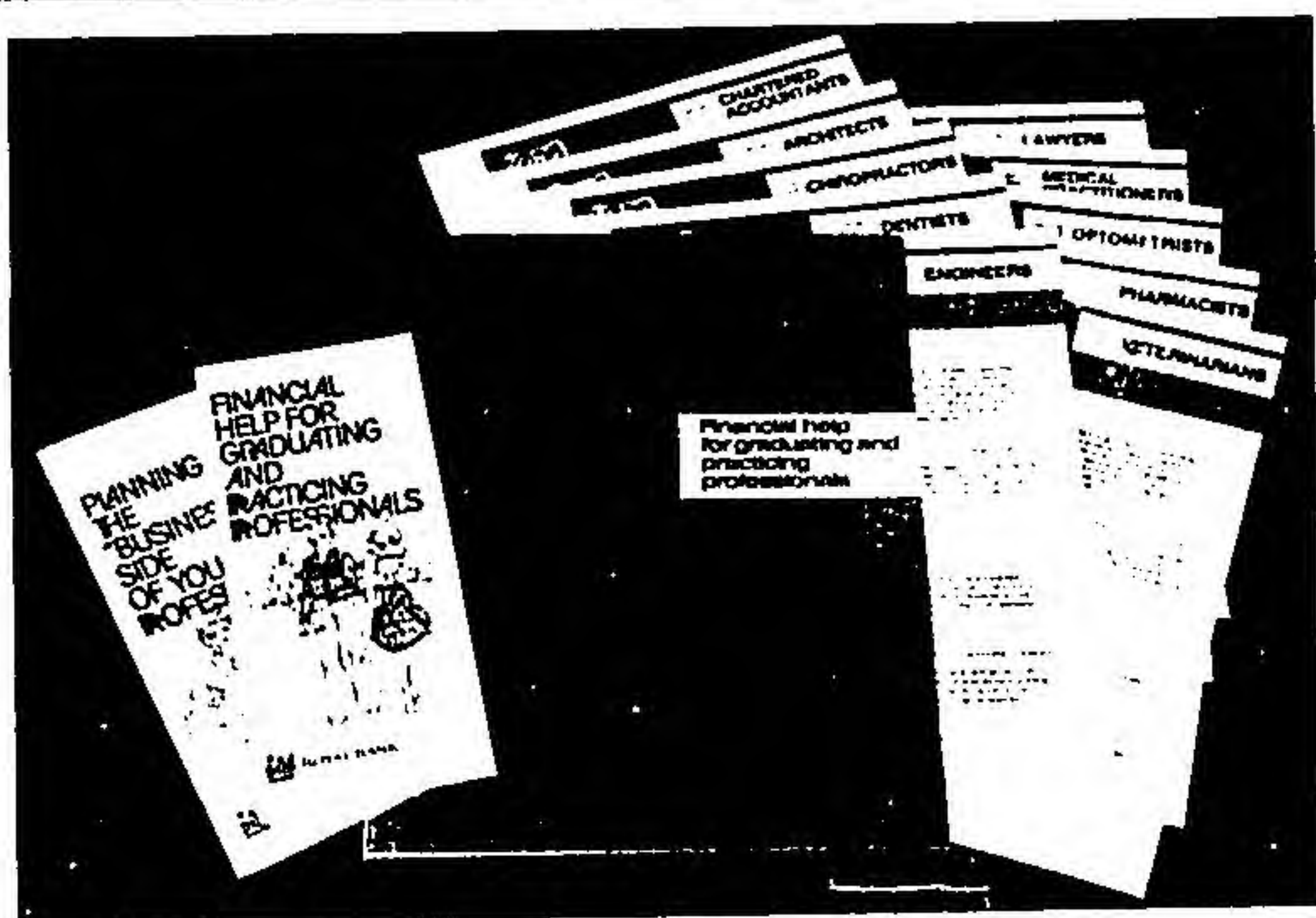
A motion was passed by the plenary session that students and labor aid each other in areas of mutual concern. This would be effected through liaisons through the SGAIU and organized labor councils in Sudbury. The motion did not originate in the students and labour workshop but was put forward by two students who attended and felt this to be the consensus of the workshop.

The question that some observers were asking themselves was "what now"? The motions etc. are being presented to the SGA and it remains to be seen what will come of them. Some concrete steps can be taken on local issues, i.e., letters to labour, the students federation of Waterloo and to the ministry of education. The External Affairs Committee of the SGA could act and form a liaison relationship with the Sudbury and District Labor Council. A referendum with respect to Lambda can be placed on the next SGA ballot. The distinction is between what can and what will be done. We'll keep you posted. There is further information in this weeks' editorial.

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THE SECOND PAGE

corporate cakes and oil bums



PROFESSIONALS SOMETIMES NEED TO SEEK MORE THAN JUST ADVICE.

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NEW YORK (ENS-CUP) -- If you ever have baked a pound cake following the instructions on Duncan Hines Delux II Devil's Food Cake Mix, you may have noticed the cautionary note on the label: "Be sure to use Crisco Oil as some other oils may cause the cake to fall".



Essays

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The Consumers' Union, publisher of Consumer Reports, wondered why one particular cooking oil was specified, and decided to conduct a bake-off. They bought three samples of the mix, a bottle of Crisco, and bottles of two other brands of cooking oils. None of the cakes fell; all were practically identical in height, texture, and taste.

Why was such specific advice given about oils if there is no difference? Duncan Hines has a parent company: Proctor and Gamble. And Proctor and Gamble is also the parent company of Crisco.

SILENT PARROTT

TORONTO (CUP) -- "I'm not denying or accepting that university funding for 1977-78 is determined", Ontario minister of colleges and universities Harry Parrott said, allowing his statement that the announcement on possible tuition fee increases will be delayed for a month.

However, a screaming headline in the Toronto Sun Oct. 26 "\$175 increase coming in university tuition" has caused some alarm.

"I take it Hoy's (Claire Hoy, author of the article) sources are quite reliable since he worked at one time with the ministry of colleges and universities," David Warner, NDP education critic said.

The Ontario Federation of Students (OFS) has estimated fees would go up \$100. However, information officer Allen Gollombek said, "Hoy's sources are at least as good as ours so it (\$175) is likely".

If the estimates hold true and tuition rises to about \$775 both Warner and Gollombek point out, it will be the highest in Canada.

"The minister", Warner said, "would love to avoid making an announcement before Nov. 9 (National Student Day) because they don't want to focus political attention on themselves' because they are in trouble."

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DAILY NEWS

Prevent Another Vietnam?

GI's study african invasion

The following article, reprinted in its entirety, appeared originally in Tanzanian papers under the byline of Cambridge's Africa Research Group. Tanzanians have reacted with anger to the information that the Pentagon is studying ways to take over their country.

United States army units have been trained to run the government and economy of Tanzania should the Pentagon ever be called upon to intervene militarily. The Africa research group, Cambridge based research collective has learned that at least one army reserve unit has spent three years in special study designed to prepare american military men to administer every important sector of tanzanian society.

Information about the tanzanian study program was disclosed recently by members of the Boston-based 357th civil affairs unit, which received this special training. The reservists claimed such programs prepare the army for vietnam type involvements. These reservists, specifically citing Tanzania, have protested to the United States senate against the objectives of civil affairs training, which equips them to run civilian governments in foreign countries.

According to Chris Burns, a spokesman for the anti-war reservists, the officers of the 357th civil affairs units are "experts in tanzanianization of tanzania - if the US ever decided to do that." In an interview, Burns called civil affairs units "nothing but colonial administrators." He explained to ARG that these units have also aided in the development and implementation of the so-called vietnamization program. In 1965, he added, these units actually

helped administer government programs in the Dominican Republic after the US marines intervened to crush a popular rebellion.

Special training

For three years the 357th and its subordinate units have received special training about Tanzania which included extensive research, swahili lessons, and participation in a war game exercise which simulated situations in Tanzania after a supposed invasion from Mozambique. The former commanding officer of the 357th, Paul Coughlin, acknowledged to ARG that the training had occurred. "There was nothing sinister about it," he claimed. "If we ever get called into the country, we have to know something about it."

To learn something about Tanzania, the army tapped the knowledge of Africa experts at a number of colleges and universities. Organized by Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) professor Robert MacMasters, who was an officer of the 357th at the time, the training began with research into tanzanian life. The research was divided into four areas: government economics public utilities and specialties. The last area included everything from religion to the social values held by rural populations. Using the vast libraries of MIT and Harvard groups of officers researched each of these areas and produced written reports of their findings. Another officer, prof. Cuso of the university of Massachusetts instructed the unit in Swahili.

At the same time the unit was developing a specialized library on Tanzania, which included books, magazines, airmail daily copies of

a tanzanian newspaper, and detailed maps of roads, railroads, dams, and electrical water sources.

Yale conference

As an additional part of their training, officers of the 357th attended a special two-week conference on east Africa, conducted for the army by Yale university in the summer of 1967. This conference consisted mainly of general background information on east Africa, with particular focus on Kenya and Tanzania. Yale held a similar sign in 1969. According to a yale graduate student who helped teach the soldiers, the underlying question of the conference was how the information which they were learning could be used in case of military intervention.

During two weeks of military maneuvers in 1969, the knowledge gained by the 357th through this study was applied to a hypothetical situation drawn up by the Army. "We postulated a native uprising starting in Mozambique and spreading into Tanzania," Coughlin explained. "We then planned what we would do if we were called in, say, by Nyerere to help. We try to consider how we would act under specific conditions." Coughlin emphasized that the situation was purely "imaginary" and was designed for training purposes only. According to the participants in the training exercises, various situations were simulated to which responses were formulated and applied. From this game playing, refined approaches and plans were developed in case the "play" situations someday turned into reality.

A series of four documents were produced as a result of the 357th

special training. The first was a general introduction to Tanzania organized according to the original divisions of research. The second was a detailed statement of the hypothetical situation postulated for the 357th's training exercises. The third consisted of various written solutions prepared by the unit during their research and the 1969 training exercises. Finally, a revised and expanded version of the original general introduction was produced which incorporated the information learned during the unit's study and practice. ARG, however, has been unable to obtain

these documents, but have been assured of their existence by members of the unit.

The 357th's special training is now completed. Its documents, library, and expertise are now available to the US army for any possible future use. The purpose of the training was summarized by Coughlin: "By studying these countries carefully, we want to avoid the mistakes we've made in Vietnam of not really working with the people. We want to know a country if we are ever thrown in." ARG knows of no present plans to throw the US army into Tanzania.

thinking about

The rallyists were running around the country again on last Sunday. The Northern Lights Rally has traditionally been a night rally, however due to the large number of novice competitors, the event was run during the day. Six cars entered the event and all finished within a reasonable time. A Gremlin driven by Ted Majkot and navigated by Susan Zukowski, and the Datsun team of Profs Mike (Batman) Dewson and Robin Patchett both lost a total of five penalty points. The tie-breaker being the most checkpoints zeroed, favoured the Gremlin which zeroed four checkpoints versus three by the Datsun. The Stankiewicz bro-

thers, John and Roman, beetled their way into third place in a day-glow orange Volks.

The snowfall made the roads a bit slippery and muddy which slowed up as the cars came back mostly brown. The route wound itself through the Wanup area for about sixty miles, with the finish being the Great Hall.

The next event will be held on January 22, which will be a Saturday night "Snow Rally" for novices. On December 8th, the monthly meeting of the Sudbury Sports and Light Car Club will be held in Room F217 of the Fraser Building at 8 pm.

birth control.

LOS ANGELES (ENS-CUP) -- If you've knocked back a few too many drinks, University of California scientists have just the thing for you: a "sober up" pill which can reduce the effects of alcohol by 50 per cent just 30 minutes after ingested.

Researchers at the university's Irvine campus experimented for three years with a group of drugs called "amethystic agents" contain-

ing the drug L - Dopa.

While the pills don't reduce the amount of alcohol in the system they stimulate chemicals in the brain which reverse the effects of alcohol, says project director Ernest Noble.

He says it works in the same way adrenaline does when motorists with a few drinks under their belt see flashing red police lights.

disorganized

OTTAWA (CUP) -- The leader of Canada's organized labor said labor's claim that the Anti-Inflation Board controls wages rather than profits is confirmed by the recently-released AIB annual report.

Joe Morris, president of the 2.3 million member Canadian Labor Congress (CLC) repeated the call for the abolition of the federal government's anti-inflation program in a statement Nov. 1.

He said a "comparison between the \$9 million in excess corporation profits found by the Anti-Inflation Board, and the rollbacks in wages and salaries which run into the hundreds of millions of dollars", proves labor's contention the program discriminates against wage earners.

"In other words, the government

is waging the fight, against inflation almost exclusively on the backs of the worker, who can least afford it."

The report shows 48 per cent of the companies reporting profits were exempted under AIB regulations freeing export-oriented industries from controls, and these companies turn the highest profits, Morris said.

He repeated labor's attack on the AIB's claim of accomplishments, noting that "inflationary pressures had begun to moderate even before the program was introduced."

"The report changes not one iota of the Congress position; the program is unfair and dangerous and must be withdrawn within the shortest possible time," Morris concluded.

A propos de la mort

Dear Editor,

The recent National Student Day Activities included a panel discussion on the McKeough-Henderson Report, that, for lack of student response, was cancelled. It is important, however, that students be informed of the material in this report, especially the information in Chapter seven (7) that deals with tuition and grants. The report rec-

ommends lifting the ceiling on tuition fees for Ontario universities and letting tuition costs off-set the current provincial funding. The report also recommends cutting back student grants and having students attend University on a loan scheme. Students should request a copy of the report from TEIGA or get it from the library. Read Section 7 - it is a shocker.

LABELS MISLEAD

Many hockey critics, both on campus and off, had written off the 76-77 edition of the Laurentian Voyageurs Hockey Team before their season started. They felt that the inexperienced players would not be able to compete effectively in the CIAU. After 10 games, Jack Porter's squad have shown them wrong. In 10 games against some very stiff competition, the Vees have fashioned with 6 wins, 2 ties, and 2 losses record. The pre-season conditioning program has been a major factor in the games; 3rd period comebacks and charges are making the difference between winning and losing. There are no super stars on the team, just 18 players working hard.

The balance on the team is evident from the scoring summary. Each of the three lines used has scored approximately the same number of goals. The Gasparini-Stortini-DeMarco combination has produced 18 goals in the 10 games. The Heale-Ethier-Adams line has 17 goals to its credit, and the Millican-Hamilton-Crothers combination has 16 goals amongst them. The defence is also producing goals and just as evenly distributed.

The leading scorer after the 8 exhibition and 2 league games is rookie Charles Hamilton, with 7 goals and 10 assists for 17 points. Norm Ethier follows close behind with 16

points on 6 goals and 10 assists. Rookie Tim Heale and Dan Cuomo, a four-year veteran, are tied at 14 points apiece. Heale has 5 goals and 9 assists. Cuomo has 2 goals and a team-leading 12 assists.

The team's goaltenders have very similar records. Lou O'Hara has a 5.14 goals Against Average, having played 7 games. Rookie Rick Brown sports a 5.00 GAA after playing 3 games. The over-all average (5.1)

is considerably less than the average goals for (6.4 goals per game).

The Vees lost to two strong clubs the Sudbury Wolves and the Université du Québec Patriotes who are ranked in the Top Ten this year as a powerhouse in the QUAA. The Vees rebounded to tie the Patriotes in a game they could have won. The team has not lost in the last five games. They are improving according to Porter's Plan.

Tarantula Guards Jewellery Store

Wiley's Femur was open for business again this past Sunday, Nov. 14th and not only were the stocks of cider replenished, but donuts were also served. And nothing went wrong!!!! (Up to this point some minor disaster has happened every week - blown fuses, frozen cider and/or no cider at all).

Entertainment was excellent - University College President Rand Dyck opened with some piano pieces followed by Peter West and John Chambers on guitars. Peter loosened up the audience with a few jokes and lost his voice somewhere in "Yesterday". Songs ranged from his own composition to some John Denver tunes.

Dave Foster, back for a return performance, beguiled the crowd with his skill on the twelve string

guitar. Dave also added a humorous touch and at the same time gave us food for thought.

Closing the evening were Dave Eckbrecht and John Still, an import from Burlington for the week-end. (I refuse to repeat the joke about Crosby, Still, Nash and Eckbrecht) Some great guitar playing and harmony made it a most enjoyable set although we were all disappointed when Dave promised us a joke and failed to deliver. HA HA Thanks very much to all our entertainers and helpers behind the "bar".

Come on out to Wiley's - try a selection of coffees and teas, hot chocolate and cider, and our donuts, duchies, chocolate blizzards, jelly sugar and marble. We're open at 8 pm every Sunday in the basement of U.C. Residence.

Editorial Page

N.S.D. did not attract a large turnout at Laurentian. Participation by students was as low as 150 from a full-time population well over 2,000. In spite of the disappointing result some useful things did come out of the day, more on that later. Part of the problem was that the N.S.D. committee could have started formulating an agenda and educating students in the problems they are going to face more effectively, had they started earlier. The agenda was too full in some opinions, workshops were put on four at a time and in effect competing for attendance. Lambda was to have been on campus Monday morning but because of printing problems did not arrive till late that afternoon. Since it has the agenda and the background information, a portion of the minority of students who do concern themselves with education issues were not given time to digest the background papers.

The background papers themselves were somewhat a problem because of their length. They could have

been more effectively edited had there been more time. They also should have been more specifically oriented to local concerns and statistics. There is no point dwelling on these any longer. The improvement in attendance may have been only marginal. Students as a body may just not be interested in challenging the system. Education may be little more than a three year respite from reality, in effect their group consciousness may be being held in abeyance until they graduate and become part of the so-called 'real world.' (though how it can be any more real is equivocal).

Tuesday and Thursday are heavy class days at Laurentian but excusing like this is like grabbing at straws. Enough on excuses. The people involved worked hard and put on a credible effort; the fault, if any, does not lie with them. The workshops promised were there for those who wished to attend. Several

of them were successful and had some concrete resolutions to bring to the plenary. One of the most significant and far-reaching if implemented were those that dealt with student government. Many people felt that the SGA should concern themselves with functions of a more political nature and representing students as opposed to organizing social events. In effect council could move in the direction of putting all social planning in the hands of the college councils. Recent history has shown that the colleges and professional schools have far outstripped the SGA in holding successes in this area. The SGA could direct funding in the direction of these bodies based on their track record, population etc. The advantage of course is that more energy can be put to representing students academic and local political interests on university committees, etc. With the smaller councils having more control over social events the work, funds, and student input can be more broadly dispersed.



...communique...

LAMBDA welcomes letters from students, employees, and faculty. Pen names may be used, but the author's real name and telephone number must accompany each submission. Please type if possible. Friday is the deadline for Tuesday's publication.

ENGLISH

Dear Editor,

Your interview and editorial concerning English 1500 contain so many untruths, distortions, and unjustified insults that I will not attempt to answer them all. I would like, however, to clarify a few basic points about the notorious "contract" which students have signed.

The document is a five-paragraph statement entitled Evaluation Scheme for 1500. The first three paragraphs describe the marking scheme and methods of evaluation used in the course. I quote in full the last two paragraphs:

"Regular class attendance is expected. Students are held responsible for all assignments, whether of reading or writing. Some written pieces of work, whether test, exercise or essay, can be expected weekly; and from time to time, the writing will be done in class. If you must miss a class, make every effort to arrange in advance for make-up work."

Once you have read and understood the evaluation scheme, please sign your name. The evaluation

agreement will be kept on file in the English Department office."

We asked students to sign the agreement because in the past one or two students have claimed in appeals that they had not been told what the marking scheme was.

Your anonymous collective writer-editor did not even bother to ask the English Department for a copy of the document nor for an explanation of its purpose; yet he accuses us, among other more colorful vices, of being unprofessional.

Sincerely,
Field Marshal D.G. Wallace
Chairman, English Department

Ed. Note: Firstly feel free to take advantage of our space to answer any "untruths, distortions, and unjustified insults". You have left out the most interesting sentence in the contract -- "But it is understood that a student must complete work in all categories in order to pass the course." The agreement gives as an example the instance of students not writing the final exam and relying on the balance of their work in order to pass. Here is an example the form does not give. As stated the student can expect "Some written pieces of work weekly." If a student should miss an assignment worth 10%, then he has not

completed "work in all categories", and as the form states, ("In order to pass the course") he has failed to fulfill the peculiar requirements of English 1500.

As to asking the English department for a copy of the agreement, it is common knowledge that the form has been only generally available since the articles appeared in Lambda. When a student did ask for a copy, prior to our publishing, they were refused it by their prof. Why should we assume that documents not available to those immediately concerned should be made available to us? As to asking you for an explanation of its purpose I would tend to think such an explanation would tend to put the agreement in its best possible light. Lastly if you read the letters from the two students you will notice that Susan Clay states she signed two contracts. The English dept. has only been able to make one available to us. Tim Moyle states the agreement presented to him "gave" the time that each assignment was due and stated that we had to attend classes to achieve credit for the course." Since times are not mentioned in the "evaluation scheme for 1500", given to us I am still at a loss as to the relative significance of it, i.e. is it the only one? Assuming that it is, there is enough in the one given to us, and the recent nasty distribution of it to question where the distortions are coming from.

MORE ENGLISH

Dear Editor,

Your article "English Department Takes out Contract on Students" is to the best of my knowledge based on misinformation, and indeed expounds many falsehoods which totally pervert the purpose of the "contract".

I am a first year student in an arts program thus I am also in an English course. The agreement which was presented to us was to inform us what work was requested of us, the time that each assignment was due and stated that we had to attend classes to achieve credit for the course. It does not stipulate that we have to attend every class.

Among other inaccuracies are:
1. All English students irrespective of the year are asked to sign one

2. Western, Carleton, and McGill just to name a few use this form if agreement.

3. Other departments in Laurentian use this system.

Perhaps then the student who was

"Getting screwed", does not comprehend the Professors' humour, or does not like the course. In short to quote a beaten phrase "If you can't stand the heat, get out of the kitchen".

This persons attitudes are not reflective of the student populus who realize the need for this agreement so that a student who did not attend class could not go crying to the appeals committee with that immortal line, "I didn't know."

To conclude I believe a public apology should be published to apologize for the statements made about Prof. Lewis and perhaps in the future Lambda should investigate articles and stories before condemning someone on false grounds. A certain responsibility is inherent in journalism which Lambda is presently lacking, I hope you find it soon.

Tim Moyle

Ed. Note: No statements concerning Prof. Lewis were made to retract in the article "English Department Takes out Contract on Students". He was referred to once in reference to his statement that he would accept a judges writ or doctor's certificate only as a reason for missing class. This would indicate to me at least that students in that class were required to attend every class. I suppose this remark of Dr. Lewis is the one you find so amusing. If it's a joke then I don't comprehend his or your humour. If every English student has signed this agreement then it is being interpreted in widely different ways in different classes. In fact, only first year students have found it necessary to complain. If it is necessary to have a judges writ etc. then they have cause to complain. Further, if other universities, as you claim have the same form and interpret it similarly it does not legitimize it, i.e. the more widespread an abuse is, does not make it any more acceptable. Frankly, I doubt the validity of your information here. The same goes for your assertion that other departments at Laurentian have forms with the same intent. No objection was made to having a marking scheme defined, the objection was to compulsory class attendance. As to your assumptions about "the student populus" I am again in doubt. Legions of students have not expressed a realization of the need for this agreement. The appeals committee is unlikely to accept "I don't know" as an excuse regarding the existence of a contract. So the question it seems is why is one necessary. If English students are more prone to attempting to snow an appeal committee with feigned ignorance then the contract is necessary.

STILL MORE ENGLISH

Dear Editor,

As a prospective English major currently enrolled in two first year English courses, I would surely be among those to protest if I suspected the English department of being 'calculating', 'lacking in integrity', and 'unprofessional'. However, I signed two 'contracts' and found nothing objectionable in either. We were given our own copies and we also had a discussion before signing them. Since a contract is an agreement between two parties, it should be desired to have such an understanding. The student knows exactly when his assignments are due; what form these take, (whether essay or seminar etc.) and what percentage of the student's total mark these assignments represent. This agreement also prevents the supposedly unscrupulous English prof. from changing the marking format of the course. Both parties know where they stand. As for the uproar about 80% attendance, any first year student reading his/her university calendar would know about this Senate ruling.

In conclusion, I'm becoming tired of being told every week by certain paranoid Lambda contributors, "You're getting screwed!"

If I took all their pronouncements seriously, I wouldn't step through the door of this institution of higher learning without the protection of a Robertson's clenched tightly in my hot little hand.

Sincerely,
Susan Clay

Ed. Note: No uproar was made about 80% attendance. The hassle is that some students have been led to believe that 100% attendance is required. Judges writ etc. Your letter intimates that you got your copy of each contract when you signed it. If so, you are in the minority because they have just been made generally available this week past. I don't believe we've told you every week you are getting screwed or that the paper is paranoid. We have attempted though to point out faults in the system and to not limit ourselves to the local scene or reported dances, etc. alone when there were subjects which were simply more relevant. As to getting screwed, the way this agreement looks and has been interpreted to some students it seems a fair appraisal. Still the tenor of your letter and the others received concerning this issue is justified. The editorial is admittedly rabid which detracts from our main

thrust which is that the contract is unjust. There is no excuse for that but as an explanation it was important that the concern be aired as quickly as possible and with NSD being the main concern that week, there was little time to polish. Underneath the abusive rhetoric there is a real issue at hand -- what legitimate do such contracts have? Can they go beyond senate policy? Where does the authority to ask students to sign them come from? What would happen if you refused to sign one?

CONGRATULATIONS

Dear Editor,

I must congratulate Frank Ashe on his articles about being "An American in Canada." He has really succeeded in pointing out the humorous aspects of the situation. After two years here, I still run into different customs and expressions nearly every day. I freely admit I was (and still am) very ignorant about Canada, but judging from the sort of questions I am asked about the States, perhaps Canadians don't know as much about the USA as they think they do, in spite of the undeniable flood of American media messages. And while my intention has been to learn as much as I can about my adopted country, I too often get the feeling Canadians ask questions mostly to trap you into saying something they can attack. Fortunately I long ago got over the feeling that I must defend or feel responsible for the real or imagined sins of Uncle Sam. Frank's imaginative answers to the same old questions will be a great help -- "25 words or less" hardly suffices to answer a question like "How does Laurentian compare to an American University?" Besides, an attempt to formulate an objective and accurate answer is largely a waste of time, since the questioner probably doesn't really want to know.

Sue Adam
4th year Translation

FEE DIFFERENTIAL

Dear Lambda,

At its regular meeting on Nov. 1, the Dept. of Sociology and Anthropology unanimously passed the following motion: "That we oppose the fee increase proposed for visa students and that we inform the Senate and the Board of Governors of the Department's position on this matter."

Sincerely,
Paul Stevenson, Chairperson

Cartridge

newflections

by Philip Popovich

Open house



The External Affairs Committee of the Students' General Association will hold its first meeting on Wednesday at 13:15 in the SGA office in room G-9 on Student Street. This committee deals with all external organizations that the SGA comes into contact with including the National Union of Students, the Ontario Federation of Students, organized labour, the government, local high schools and community organizations.

This committee is open to all members of the Students' General Association and NOT just councillors. This is a very important committee of the SGA and is primarily political in its focus. You do make a difference.

What gets students upset? You might think it's the cost of education, i.e. tuitions, books and things. Or you might think that it's the Ontario Students' Awards Program (OSAP). Maybe summer student unemployment or employment (the lack of) after graduation. Sorry friends, but you're wrong.

What really gets students involved? A happy hour in the pub. The happy hour was the best attended event of National Students' Day (NSD). What really got them upset was the fact there was no music.

The organizing committee for NSD had decreed that no music would be played in the pub. National Students' Day would be a day unlike any other. No banal disco music in the pub. Actually the chairperson of the committee made the decision. That's me. I hate disco. I also felt that students who were benefitting from cheap beer should know why.

The happy hour was planned by the social committee of the Students' General Association, specifically for National Students' Day. That's the only reason there was a happy hour with cheap beer. The committee never felt that the whole day should be one of work and education. Student life has a social side too. So we asked the social committee to plan us a social event. A happy hour wasn't quite what we had in mind but that's what they gave us. So that's what we had. Took?

The pub was packed by the time my evening class was over at 21:30. There were about 300 people in the pub. As soon as I walked into the place my Serbian "brother" came and asked me if it was true that I was responsible for the fact that there was no music. Honestly, I replied that I was. With a smile.

In my business (student politics) it's a real rarity to see students get upset about anything. They don't get upset by the fact tuitions are going to rise, maybe as much as \$175; by the fact that the OSAP loan ceiling will go up. Again, by the fact that student summer unemployment reached a high of 25% this year and doesn't look like it will get any better. They don't get upset with not having jobs when they graduate.

So it was a real pleasure to see the students get upset about a problem that affects them so immediately. No disco music in the pub. All the "student movement" has to do is get the government to disallow selling beer on campus and every university will be a "hot-bed of revolution." Harry Parrot could do us a real favour by banning music on university campuses.

Altogether about as many people took part in the National Student's Day workshops as were in the pub that night. The plenary (that's a sort of general meeting for all you disco-pub types), in the Great Hall had quite a few participating and a lot more listening. It even forced some card games to be moved.

Maybe the NSD committee tried to do too much. Certainly there were probably too many workshops and those ones at 09:00 were sparsely attended. Nobody in university gets up for 9 o'clock unless they have to.

It's too bad the committee couldn't find out how many students read the NSD-Lambda special issue with the articles on Tuition, Unemployment and other student concerns. Hopefully, a lot of people managed to read them. At least they were made available to everybody. Some students got to sit down and talk with such people as John Rodriguez (the M.P. for Nickel Belt riding which includes Laurentian), Dr. Monahan, (the university's president); Dave Patterson and Gib Gilchrist

(from the Steelworkers Union); and Jim Tester (former president of the Mine-Mill Union and a member of Laurentian's Board of Governors); plus all the other speakers who were made available to the students by the National Student's Day Committee.

In my opinion NSD was a success, albeit not a roaring one, but a success nonetheless. To all those who participated, "Thank You."

And to all those who got upset because there was no disco - shit in the pub. "I hope your tuition goes up".

NEWFLECTIONNOTES: Sometimes I don't know who gives us better coverage - the Globe and Mail or Canadian University Press... CKSO and Mike Hopkins gave us some nice coverage though and I thank Mr. Hopkins for airing the student point-of-view on his show. Education is society's concern and ALL members of society have a right to determine the direction of Education. Programs like this can only help the general public get involved in educational and governmental policy. . . . Wonder how the Quebec election went. . . . And congratulations to Ray Lalonde on winning five beer from me with a brilliant bet on Jimmy Carter. We should have bet a pair of sunglasses. Four years of Jimmy's smiles on the TeeVee news and we'll all go blind. . . . Missed the "Kill Popovich" chant in the pub on the National Students' Day Happy Hour led by the persons upset because of the music. . . . Lambda's looking good and getting better. Still room for more people to help out. Get your Lambda T-shirt for \$4.00 or for working on the paper. . . . Had a pleasant evening with Dave Pearson and a couple of Single Students' Dons on Thursday night. . . . SGA meeting Sunday at 18:00 in the Senate chambers. Everyone welcome. . . . Big Senate meeting on Thursday. See YOU there. . . . Get upset people.

upcoming meetings

By Rick Hoffman - SGA

The Council representatives of the Student's General Association will be holding a regular meeting at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 21 in the meeting room situated on the 11th floor of the Library Tower. Students are invited to attend and participate in any of the ensuing discussion. There will be a number of topics on the agenda which Mr. Menard, the Director of Services will be requested to participate in the discussion of, such as; pub prices, renovations in the Voyageur Pub, rental charges of various rooms on campus, and residences. Other topics to be discussed are; course evaluations, library hours, media courses via television, the Winter Carnival, and methods by which the Council can better the communication links between itself and the student body. The reasons for this blurb are based on a workshop which I participated in on Tuesday, Nov. 9, National Student's Day concerning student organizations. I found the workshop enlightening and hope to put the suggestions that were made to use. It was felt that better communication was needed and the Council will be trying some things but we need your help also. Have you ever before heard of one-way communication?

Another meeting which might be of interest to you is the monthly regular meeting of Senate which is the body that makes the academic and some administrative decisions for you. Come out and check out the proceedings, this meeting will be held on Thursday, November 17th at 2:00 pm in the 11th floor meeting room. Some of the topics to be discussed are; course evaluations, visa students fees, the Library, and parking around campus. I believe these are topics which might interest students, they

directly concern students!

The SGA has a couple of events coming up in the entertainment field. On Friday, November 19 there will be a Disco in the Great Hall beginning at 8:30 pm with sound and music from Stereo World, they did the disco during Shinerama Week. Admission will be \$1.00 and 50 cents for the people

who attend the big basketball double-header that evening against Carleton.

On the evening of Sunday, Nov. 28, a movie will be shown for the price of \$1.00. The movie will be the recently printed "Three Days of the Condor", an action thriller about the CIA starring Robert Redford and Faye Dunaway. Hope the article was read.

How bilingualism ticks

BILINGUALISM AND ITS APPLICATION AT LAURENTIAN

As part of National Student Day, there was a workshop on Bilingualism, and in particular, its application at Laurentian University. Jean St. Louis, President of the AEF addressed the workshop and brought some interesting ideas to the fore. The group in attendance was predominantly English Translators.

The discussion of local problems could not be separated from national policies. It was felt that the new approach to Bilingualism in Ontario was the correct one. The foundation of such a policy must rest on education. Fostering better understanding between these two cultures was seen as being an integral part of this policy. It was suggested that more co-operation was needed on campus. There was a feeling that there still exists a cold interface between the English and French. More "open-mindedness" was seen as essential in resolving this problem.

Laurentian's role as a bilingual institution was defined as: To assure the survival of the local French culture, To stimulate participation and awareness around the bilingual

dimension, To demonstrate that two different cultures can co-exist in harmony, under the same roof.

Jean St. Louis stated that "Entre Deux was open to all who wanted to experience the French culture. He also mentioned that it was difficult for AEF to assume the additional function of making the French culture available to all. He stresses that reconciliation and co-operation were priorities but second to maintaining the French culture in a "melting-pot situation."

Although the same stereotype problems about bilingualism were discussed, a new dimension was discussed. If bilingualism is going to work somewhere it's got to work here at Laurentian. Laurentian is one of few bilingual universities in Canada. Jean St. Louis stressed that the subject must continue to be discussed. He mentioned that the best way to resolve problems was by getting to know each other on an interpersonal level.

Guy Desmarais represented the workshop at the Plenary Session. No specific resolutions were brought from the workshop, Guy presented the aforementioned role of the university with respect to bilingualism.

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Exasperation point!

Regular readers of my monotonous mental meanderings in these pages will have noted my slight tendency to paranoia. I confess to a certain feeling that "the world is out to get me." Can you blame me? Non-sticky parking stickers? "Poorly patronizing and persuasively perverse perorations in the field of popular publishing?" Even at Lamide I'm not safe. There's the copy machine that lates my cuts and unfailingly deletes my every punct. line. And not least the person who surprises me with these headlines, "Wheel-chair users ask for chances on campus?"

So I don't have to tell you how I reacted when I heard about the 100% class attendance agreement some first-year English students have apparently signed. I don't

know exactly what effect this will have, but if it looks good I'm sure it will be refined and expanded in the future. Being interested in languages myself, I worry about them. I can just see next fall...

The student enters a French class.

The teacher hits him in the nose with a stack of papers. "Sign this!"

"Par M. Robespierre," the student reads from the first page.

She snatches it back and rubs out the name.

"The author is of no consequence!"

But having gotten started, he continues reading: "The undersigned student does hereby bind and pledge himself:

1. Upon entering the classroom, to face the desk and bow three times from the waist, bringing the nose to a height of not less than 36 inches from the floor.

2. To spend at least six hours daily in the language lab listening to tapes of the professor singing "Frère Jacques."

"Alors," says the prof coldly, pulling aside a curtain to reveal a small portable gullotine. The student signs.

And in Spanish class? Another agreement, of course, pledging the student to:

1. While in the classroom refrain from all unbecoming impertinences, such as questions and comments.

2. Maintain a proper and respectful silence during the professor's siesta.

3. Write off at least 10 irregular verbs in all sixteen tenses per week. Each verb turned in shall entitle the student to one (1) coupon. One hundred (100) coupons shall be redeemable at the end of the year for one (1) approving pat on the head.

3. To be always provided with a bottle of polish and a rag in case the professor should require a shoe shine.

"I'm not going to sign this," says the student indignantly.

"We're not going to sign this," protest the students.

The teacher whips out a musket and a suit of armor. "Then what I'm going to do this class will make what Cortes did to the Aztecs look playful!" The student signs.

And in Russian-- it hardly bears thinking about.

"What if we don't sign?" asks a student warily.

The prof responds with an icy stare.

"We are building camps in the Yukon for such as you, comrade."

The student signs.

Then off to German class, where he finds a six-page document on his desk.

"What's this?" he asks.

"A mere formality," smiles the prof, clicking his heels together. "Sign, please."

"Why is it all in German?" asks the student suspiciously.

"You think everything here is for your convenience?" snaps the prof, slapping the desk with a copy of "Mein Kampf".

"What happens if I don't?"

On cue, a band of fourth year students goosesteps in armed with unabridged dictionaries and surrounds the desk menacingly. The student signs.

No doubt about it, I've got to stop these morbid fantasies. The other day one of my teachers walked in with a noticeable bulge on one side of her chest. Instantly, I imagined two things: (a) she was wearing a shoulder holster and .45; or, (b) her 18-hour bra was on its 19th hour. Of course, you know which one it turned out to be. Don't you?

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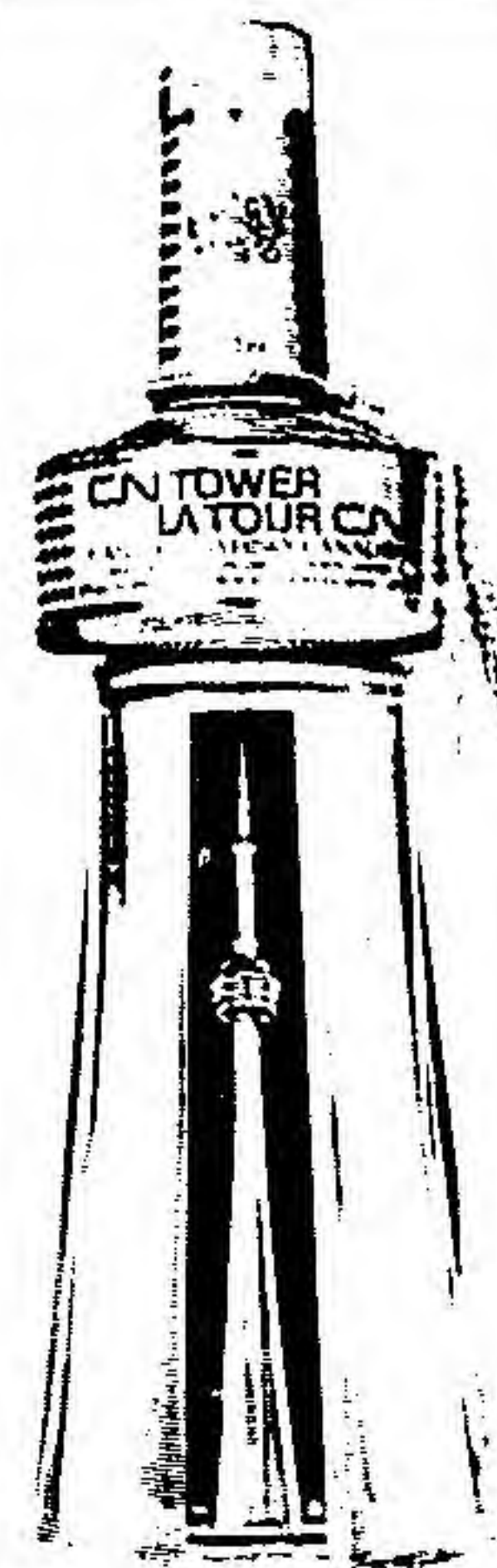
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Pleurs, pleure!
Pleure, quelle heure?
Pleure encore
Pleure ta mort.

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Les Robins des bois

En entrant, la déesse des coeurs nous accueille. "Denise Owens", douceur ! Dans un tourbillon de musique, le "Bierfest" commence ! Le service de quatre plastres nous apporte notre "draft" sans même que l'on ait besoin de lever le gros orteil. C'est un charme après une si longue semaine de travail. On se fait enfin gâté !

Entre les cloches et les plumes, entre les couleurs à vous en crever les yeux et la musique qui vous défonce gentiment les tympanes, la fête continue.

Que faire ? LAISSE CHOIR,

Nous n'exigeons pas que le français devienne une langue unique à la laurentienne pour tous, ou au contraire, qu'il faut qu'elle cesse d'être parlée et s'assimile au plus tôt à la majorité linguistique. Le bon sens est évidemment le milieu.

Tout en gardant une autonomie propre, les francophones de Laurentienne devrait avoir un lien étroit avec les Anglais dans tous les domaines: sports, cultures, activités diverses. Il est très navrant de constater un tel séparatisme qui donnerait naissance à la haine, concurrence et mépris. Nous savons tous que si l'anglais domine, ce n'est ni parce que les anglophones sont arrogants, égoïstes et intelligents, ni parce que les francophones eux-mêmes sont stupides, mais parce que le français n'ayant pu devenir majoritaire à temps, est devenu désormais marginal en Amérique du Nord. Les francophones loin de renoncer à leur langue parlent l'anglais le mieux possible et ne doivent pas avoir honte de le faire.

Dans le cas de la Laurentienne grand nombre de francophones étudiant en français, donc membres de l'AEF, se tiennent tantôt avec des anglais tantôt avec les leurs. D'autres, minoritaires, sont pour une séparation quasi complète des deux disciplines. Ce groupe minoritaire se trouve être les membres de l'AEF et leurs amis intimes, qui se laissent tenter et négligent pour ne pas dire s'en moquent de ce que pensent les autres francophones majoritaires, ne créent rien qui puissent les intéresser et faire valoriser la langue. Ils sont plutôt "bornés" sur une utopie grotesque tel que le séparatisme.

En réalité, la plupart des francophones n'appartiennent à aucun groupe. Ils étudient en français, ils adhèrent automatiquement à l'AEF, ils aiment parler l'anglais, c'est leur droit de le faire, ne sont point soutenus ni respectés par leur association. Tout étudiant francophone, qui n'est pas un ami d'un membre quelconque de cette association, ou qui parle anglais, ou qui est contre le séparatisme à Laurentienne est, aux yeux de l'AEF et de son président, un mauvais sujet à éviter et un mauvais patriote.

Il est facile de remarquer que tous les francophones ne jouissent pas d'une association efficace, pourtant une somme de vingt-sept dollars a été versée à la caisse de celle-ci.

Nous voulons par conséquent en avoir pour notre argent et profiter de l'expérience du chef et de ses aides, ce n'est absolument pas le cas présentement. Nous exigeons un changement radical des dirigeants et une nouvelle équipe dynamique, si toutefois l'AEF ne fait pas de progrès dans un avenir proche. Il est de notre devoir d'éliminer l'ignorance flagrante, destructrice de tant de bon sens.

Il est ridicule de constater dans une université semblable à celle-ci dont le nombre d'étudiants ne dépasse pas deux mille étudiants, l'existence de deux associations.

Cependant, et pour satisfaire tout le monde, nous envisageons une seule association qui grouperait les deux langues et qui à sa tête, aura deux présidents choisis dans le groupe francophone et anglophone. Cette association, qui d'ailleurs existait à l'époque, sera plus puissante, plus riche. Deux points de vue valent mieux qu'un, et deux présidents seront plus dans la mesure d'agrandir les possibilités des affaires étudiantes, d'estimer chacun à sa vraie valeur et d'offrir une plus grande autonomie aux francophones délaissés par leur association et même à ses membres. Car contrairement à ce que pensent ces messieurs de l'AEF, à la laurentienne, présentement, il n'existe point d'autonomie francophone valable. Cette association actuelle nous fait rappeler un régime de dictature égoïste et sans intérêt aucun pour le peuple. Loin de chercher le confort de tous les membres, l'AEF se fie à des idées bornées, lentes, inefficaces, ridicules et dépassées par toutes personnes qui voient plus loin que son nez. L'infantilisme ne sera pas toléré plus longtemps, et les dirigeants de notre triste association non plus.

Au groupe minoritaire, membres et amis de l'AEF, de choisir le changement radical de leurs activités égoïstes ou la remise en question et l'envisagement d'une création d'une association unique.

Au reste majoritaire des francophones de choisir entre leur situation présente dépourvue d'association quelconque, ou le groupement de tous les étudiants dans une seule association dirigée par deux cerveaux, visant à améliorer la médiocrité de la francophonie et combattre son dispersément dans cette université.

d'évolution et de bon sens, l'AEF a choisi la vitesse même et s'est trouvée parmi les premiers de la



Le monde commence à s'amuser follement. C'est le temps où l'on voudrait que tout soit enlevé, les tables, les chaises, et debout on se déboullerait plus aisément. La musique "Disco" vient de chatouiller notre ouïe. Il est neuf heures, attendons l'action. Que de cloches ! Que de cloches ! à propos que pensez-vous du liquide jaunâtre offert à un prix exorbitant ressemblant plutôt à du thé marocain avec une mixture d'herbes interdites. Il n'est peut-être pas terrible au goût mais par contre il semble qu'il ait son effet; on peut d'ailleurs le voir aux degrés Celsius de la pièce. On serait curieux de la savoir.

En fait pourquoi tout le monde entre et sort comme cela? As-tu une réponse à cela?

Oui, Rachète l'en ai une. Quand tu vois un couple sortir ou un groupe d'amis, tu t'en doutes bien, qu'ils sont à la recherche d'une place tranquille pour fumer un bon "joint". Mais dépasser minuit, quand tu vois un couple sortir, tu t'en doutes bien que c'est pour la nuit et pour un besoin naturel qui s'appelle "l'Amour". Mais en attendant la populace est plutôt occupée à danser sur les tables, à crier "U. of S. is the best" (en anglais évidemment).

Tu penses toujours à ça, Chawky, moi, je te parlais toujours de notre liquide jaune. Le monde fait du va et vient pour aller rejeter, d'en haut ou du milieu, ce qu'ils ont pu absorber. Je suis allé moi-même. Je te prie de croire qu'il y a du monde là. Et en plus, il faut que tu prévoies, sois prudent!

Ne nous obstinons pas.

Soudain quelque chose me fait sourire. Tu sais que malgré tout le monde s'amuse beaucoup ici. Je crois que ce moment là était attendu depuis déjà longtemps. On a de la visite, c'est le temps d'en profiter!

-Oui, ma chère, je n'ai jamais dit que l'on ne s'amuse pas, loin de là, vive l'U de S et vive le père...

- As-tu peur de le nommer. Moi, je lève mon chapeau à ce père si courageux de cotoyer une telle jeunesse dévergondée! Vive le père Garrant. C'est un homme qui fait ce que toi tu n'oserais jamais.

- Certainement, certainement. Je ne voulais point le nommer, je voulais garder son nom pour moi seul et ceux qui le connaissent déjà. Je suis égoïste et je ne veux pas que d'autres le découvrent et restreignent son temps libre et en même temps réduire mes chances de pouvoir le rencontrer souvent.

- Hô! ça commence à être pas mal réussi hein? Serait-ce que nous aussi soyons de la fête?

- S'il te plaît arrête tes questions, tu vois bien que je suis dans un piteux état, j'ai les yeux rouges et je suis saoul, fiche-moi la paix.

- Un coup de poing! c'est ça mesdames, vous voyez! on essaie d'engager une discussion sérieuse et l'homme ouble que c'est un article que l'on écrit. Je le provoque et il me fait tordre de rire. Oh...!

- Sacrées femmes, on vous entendra toujours déraisonner en silence.

- Et la blague continue. Tu te penses plus fort et bien moi je vais te dire quelque chose "amni soit qui mal y pense!"

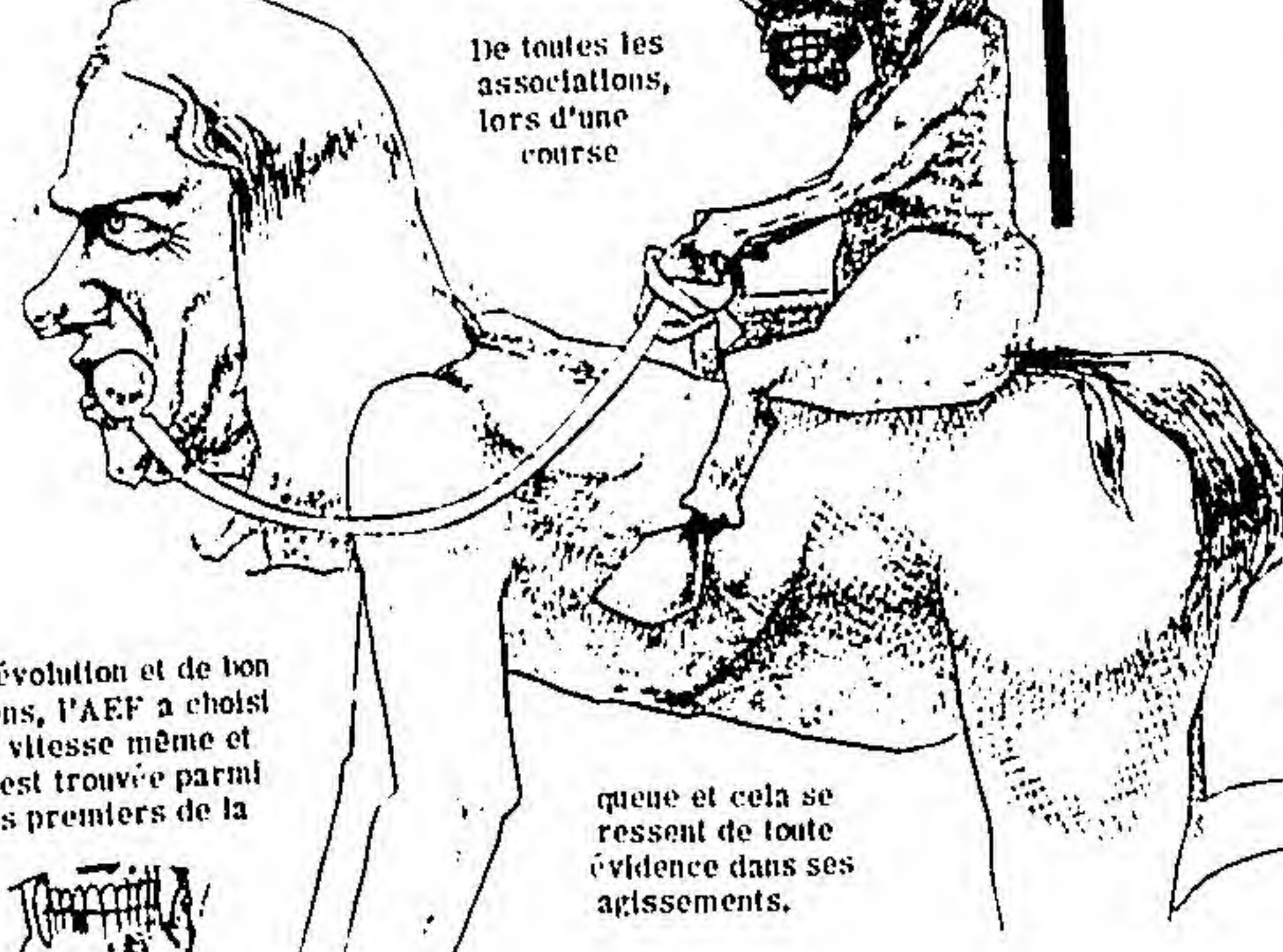
"Intervention de Diane"

- ça m'étonne en "Christ" de vous voir écrire. Parce que c'est un "Bierfest" et non pas un concours d'écrivains. Allez donc danser au lieu d'écrire. "I let's have fun, OK!"

- Mon amour chéri Diane, je m'amuse comme un dingo, j'aime ça écrire, c'est le fruit de tant de boucanes.

- Mon cher, tu me poigneras plus à écrire! Mais si ça t'amuse continue. Je regrette un peu ma phrase. Amities, Diane.

- Chawky, le monde s'amuse tel, nous devons en faire autant. Autrement dit, fin de l'article. XXX



queue et cela se ressent de toute évidence dans ses ardissements.

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The FBI: courtesy of the CORD Fracturing the American left

In 1973, a year after the arrest of the Watergate burglars, the Socialist Workers Party charged that illegal acts perpetrated against Democrats had been dealt in spades against them. "We have been 'Watergated' for at least twenty-five years," a party official declared.

Attorney Leonard Boudin, fresh from his victory as chief counsel for Daniel Ellsberg, announced the filing of a multimillion-dollar civil suit seeking damages from the FBI and other government agencies. During three years of pretrial legal sparring, the litigation has drawn blood: the FBI has been forced to relinquish thousands of pages from its secret files, disclosing that the bureau did indeed conduct a long-term campaign designed to destroy the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) through repeated interrogations of members and their families, electronic surveillance, mail covers, forged poison-pen letters, secret informers and scores of burglaries of SWP offices and private residences. Noam Chomsky, who has seen the documents, has commented: "In comparison with these revelations, the whole Watergate affair was a tea party."

Consequently, Boudin and his co-counsel, Herbert Jordan, are radiating optimism about their suit, scheduled to come to trial early next year in New York City before federal Judge Thomas P. Griesa. In addition to \$37 million in damages, the SWP is asking permanent injunction against government harassment. With the FBI in the defendant's dock and important constitutional issues at stake, the case is certain to be a legal landmark.

Meanwhile, the suit is drawing attention to an interesting political phenomenon of the 1970s: the survival and revivification -- despite the FBI's best efforts -- of one of America's radical Left Marxist parties. Born out of the bitter clashes between Stalinists and Trotskyists that rent world communism in the 1920s and 1930s, wounded almost mortally by the Smith Act convictions of its entire leadership in the 1940s and the McCarthyism of the 1950s, the Socialist Workers Party re-emerged during the turbulent 1960s with a new, young, vigorous and confident membership.

Today, three-fourths of the members of this party of the "old" Left are 30 and under. Not only were most of them born long after the Great Depression, few are old enough to remember World War II. Politically, they are children of the cold war, the civil rights struggle, the Cuban Revolution, the Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia, the new wave of feminism and, most of all, the war in Vietnam. While unaware until recently of the sordid details of the FBI's tactics, the party has long assumed that repressive measures were being used against it. The response of the membership has been a policy of alertness with no disabling paranoia.

Assessing the strength of the SWP by the number of its members -- nearly 1,500 in the party itself and about 1,000 in the closely related Young Socialist Alliance -- can be misleading. Membership in this cadre-type party is not at all a casual matter; it represents a deep personal commitment. The constitution of the SWP mandates democratic control of its governing bodies and party democracy is a fundamental principle. But once a decision is reached, it is "binding upon members." Socialist Workers agree to submit to party discipline.

People who join the SWP are expected to devote considerable time to political tasks, including sale of the 25,000-circulation party weekly, the *Militant*. In addition to dues of \$2 a month, members who can do so contribute a substantial part of their incomes (often 10 per cent to 20 per cent) to the party -- one old-timer calls it "our tithe." Those who work full time for the party accept a subsistence salary of \$70 to \$80 a week or less. Moreover, although the party eschews any rules regarding the life styles or sexual preferences of members (both straights and gays are welcome), it does impose some rules about what ordinarily are personal matters: a member who wishes to change residence may apply to his or her branch for permission; use of illegal drugs, including marijuana, is flatly forbidden -- though the party favors legalization of pot. The SWP is clearly a way of life and those who enter it believe profoundly in its mission, which is stated succinctly in the SWP constitution: "The purpose of the Party shall be to educate and organize the working class for the abolition of capitalism and the establishment of a Workers Government to achieve socialism."

The party's national headquarters in New York City, located on the downtown waterfront at 410 West Street, is a solid 5-story former marine repair shop that has been completely refurbished by volunteer SWP labor. Seventy-year-old SWP theoretician George Novak, who remembers the party when it could barely afford one telephone, notes with pride: "We have an infrastructure for a party of about 100,000."

A visit to the headquarters reveals that Novak is not exaggerating. It is a hive of activity staffed by about 120 persons (most of them paid employees) and has ample space for far more. By comparison, at the height of its strength in the late 1960s, Students for a Democratic Society, the organizational heart of the New Left, had a debt-ridden national headquarters consisting of a single floor of dilapidated offices run by ten-to-fifteen overworked and overwhelmed individuals.

The atmosphere at Socialist Workers headquarters is cheerful but businesslike. The many offices are equipped with electric typewriters, calculators, mimeograph machines. A late-model Xerox copier hums in a hallway. Walls of offices are not adorned with the kind of poster art that prevailed in the 1960s, when flamboyant designs and harsh, angry slogans sometimes hinted at future armed struggle. Instead, SWP posters are plain, commonsense drawings (a style detractors term "lowest common denomination" art) with didactic messages on specific problems: "Billions for Jobs, Not the Pentagon;" "Ratify E.R.A.;" "Desegregate the Schools." All also include an additional appeal: "Vote Socialist Workers, Peter Camejo for President, Willie Mae Reid for Vice President."

In the large, busy election campaign office, union co-ordinator Ed Heisler, a lanky Midwesterner, explains how he became a radical. He was, he says, a Kennedy supporter who was "turned on by the Cuban Revolution" and joined the SWP in Milwaukee in 1960, after graduation from high school. A railroad worker for the past ten years, he has been an active unionist and has fought for the right of railroad workers to vote on their contracts.

Jean Savage, national press secretary for the 1976 campaign, is from California; her route into the party was through her involvement in the anti-war movement as a student at Berkeley. The national campaign is said to have already distributed well over a million items, including leaflets, posters and buttons. SWP campaign offices throughout the country have produced a similar quantity of material for local candidates.

The SWP has been running Presidential and other candidates since 1948 and in recent years has offered as many as eighty or ninety candidates for local, state and federal offices in every election. In 1972, their Presidential ticket polled nearly 100,000 votes in twenty-three states and the District of Columbia; in 1974, 440,000 people voted for Socialist Workers candidates in ten states. SWP now stands first in votes received among all political parties of the American Left; this year, it hopes to be on the ballot in thirty states.

Other large offices in the building house the national headquarters of the Young Socialist Alliance (said to have about ninety chapters of mostly college and some high school youths) and its monthly 24-page newspaper, *Young Socialist*; the weekly 45-page theoretical journal, *Intercontinental Press*; and two publishing firms, Pathfinder Press and Monad Press. The latest catalogue of the two presses lists 110 books and ninety-six pamphlets -- nearly all printed in the building. The editorial office of the *Militant*, a 28-page weekly tabloid, and its 12-page monthly supplement, *The International Socialist Review*, are also located in the building.

The Political Rights Defense Fund (PRDF), organized to support and publicize the suit against the FBI, has its office in the headquarters. About \$250,000 has been raised and spent thus far on the suit -- none of it party money. PRDF sponsors are mostly people whose political perspectives differ from those of the SWP, including Eugene McCarthy, Arthur Miller, Henry Steele Commager and Gloria Steinem. Much of what is now known about the FBI's secret counterintelligence program against dissident groups (Cointelpro) was learned from documents released as a result of the suit and made public by the PRDF. A book based on these documents, *Cointelpro: The FBI's Secret War on Political Freedom* (Vintage), has just been published.

Occupying the top floor of SWP headquarters is the Library of Social History, a small but distinctive collection of 20th-century radical literature. Librarian Barbara West, whose involvement with the women's movement led her to join the SWP in 1971, says she found the party the only nonsexist socialist organization she could relate to -- "and I investigated them all."

Jack Newfield, in his study of the New Left, *A Prophetic Minority*, published in 1966, complained about the then rapidly growing Students for a Democratic Society: "There is an appalling anti-intellectualism among the newer SDS members." Socialist Workers Party members, on the other hand, have an abiding faith in the Word. About one-third of those employed in the headquarters building work in the print shop on strikingly modern equipment -- paid for, in part, with donations from several wealthy students recruited into the party during the anti-war movement.

A few blocks from the party headquarters is the apartment of national party secretary Jack Barnes and *Militant* editor Mary-Alice Waters. Barnes, 36, the son of politically conservative working-class parents (his father was an Ohio rubber worker, his mother a nurse) went to college on a scholarship. "Actually, I didn't have any radical ideas when I went away. I was a Republican, if I was anything."

"I think there were two turning points. One was the 1959 steel strike. I decided the union was right. I was in the library and I saw a magazine that had something on the steel strike on the front. It was *Monthly Review*. I picked it up and read the article. They had an article in there on Cuba and I read that too. And I said to a friend, 'I think I am a Marxist.'"

Barnes, an economics major, was so excited by his discovery that he later hitchhiked to New York to meet *Monthly Review* editor Paul Sweezy. With a Ford Foundation grant, he went to Cuba to study economic planning and agrarian reform. "I was sympathetic from my reading, but I was no organized radical of any kind. I was won by the Cuban Revolution."

As party secretary, Barnes is responsible for the general political direction of SWP. That direction is now undergoing substantial change, based on the central conclusion reached last year by the party's national convention: "...the economic motor forces that produced the relative prosperity of the past decades are becoming more and more exhausted...for the first time since the Great Depression, working people as a whole are feeling the crunch." Barnes reported to his colleagues:

"We are at the beginning of the radicalization of the American working class." The party, he said, would be recruiting more workers, blacks, Puerto Ricans, women and young people.

These goals point up present strengths and weaknesses of SWP. For while the party has many young people and 40 per cent of its members are women, fewer than one member in three is a trade unionist, and the number of blacks is barely 6 percent. The reality -- which the party is working hard to change -- is that SWP today consists overwhelmingly of young white Americans who were student protesters of the 1960s.

As the Socialist Workers Party attempts to win the support of those who are "feeling the crunch", it also is engaged in a continuing competition with other Left groups for radical leadership in the 1970s and beyond. The major opponent, of course is the Communist Party which, one SWP leader confirmed, "has deeper roots than we do in several sectors of the black and labour movements." Members of the Communist Party (about 5,000 in the view of most outside observers; about 18,000 according to the party itself) tend to be far older than the Socialist Workers--spokesman Arnold Johnson estimates an average age of "about 40 to 50."

The Communist Party's youth affiliate, Young Workers Liberation League, claims about 3,000 members, more than one-third of them black. However, the league has been plagued by high turnover due to delinquency. Some members have complained that, rather than the creation of a socialist vanguard, the league's objective is to "mobilize masses of youth" whose key task will be the fight to make U.S.-Soviet detente "irreversible." The primary prerequisite for league membership is to be "honest and sincere," whereas SWP's youth group, Young Socialist Alliance, is an avowedly Socialist organization.

An array of Maoist factions are also political opponents of SWP. All attempts by the newspaper formerly closest to them, the Guardian, to promote unity were unsuccessful, leading some to dub the Guardian "a political tendency in search of a party." The Guardian's view of the Socialist Workers Party was contained in a series of articles titled "Left in Form, Right in Essence."



In a category by themselves are several smaller Trotskyist groups: the Socialist Labour Party, a sturdy relic that follows the political gospel of Daniel De Leon; the eclectic New American Movement; the Weather Underground; various local groups attempting to build a new Communist party, including the Philadelphia Workers Organizing Committee; and the recently formed National Interim Committee for a Mass Party of the People.

At the right end of the socialist political spectrum are the Socialist Party; Social Democrats, U.S.A.; and Michael Harrington's Democratic Social Organizing Committee (with about 1,000 dues-paying members). The latter two pursue their goals through the Democratic Party.

Aside from members of these mutually antagonistic Left organizations, there is an amorphous body of unaffiliated American radicals probably numbering in the hundreds of thousands or millions -- many of whom still consider themselves New Left -- an appellation difficult to define, since the ideas of those who use it encompass elements of Marxism, anarchism, feminism, pacifism and Populism. In the upcoming election these radicals will be courted in many states not only by the SWP but also by candidates of the Communist Party, Socialist Labor Party and Socialist Party.

The competition between the pro-Soviet American Communist Party and the Trotskyist SWP has deep historical roots. In 1929, when Leon Trotsky was banished from the Soviet Union, the few American Communists who defended Trotsky's ideas were promptly expelled from their party, including James P. Cannon. Cannon a feisty, sharp-tongued Kansan who could describe some of his own early followers as unbearable "windbags," began a lifelong political struggle (he died two years ago) with the Communist Party, during which he and others founded the Socialist Workers Party.

All this was a long time ago, but the Social Workers revere their political ancestors and about half of the books on the current Pathfinder and Monad lists are by Trotsky, Cannon, Farrell Dobbs, or other early party mentors. Probably the only two remaining SWP members who actually knew Trotsky are George Novack and his wife, the feminist author Evelyn Reed. In the late 1930s, Reed went to Mexico and worked in the

Trotsky household, where she was recruited into the party by Trotsky himself. "He kissed me on both cheeks and said, 'Our party has many members and some are good and some are not so good. I think you will be one of the good ones.'" Soon thereafter, Trotsky was murdered by an agent of Stalin. Today in semi-retirement, Novack is well satisfied with the young people who have assumed SWP leadership. They are, he says, following Trotsky's advice to combine Russian Bolshevism with American efficiency. He adds, with obvious pleasure, "They are the apple of our eye."

Larry Seigle, 31, managing editor of the Militant, recalls that in the early 1960s "some of the young radicals went toward SDS, rejecting anyone who was over 30, the past, starting all over again. And others went to roots that were still vital." Seigle was attending college near Minneapolis, the scene of a great Teamsters strike led by Trotskyists, and some of the veterans of that struggle had tenaciously held the party together during the days of the Smith Act trials and McCarthyism. "If you were on campus then and you wanted to know what had happened in this country and what the movement was all about it was a wonderful thing to be able to go out and spend an evening talking to these people, talking to (Vincent) Ray Dunne, a ex-lumberjack who had been a Wobbly and a C.P. member before becoming a Trotskyist; he was living continuity of the revolutionary movement. It made all the difference."

Seigle and others who joined the Socialist Workers in the 1960s believed that the past contained lessons that they could absorb and apply. They regarded the actions of many SDSers, Yippies, pacifists, Black Panthers, and other radicals as pragmatic and impulsive. They themselves followed well trodden paths. To influence large numbers of people they used their time-tested tactic, the united front, whereby members join various mass organizations whose limited objectives they share. Those unfriendly to the tactic call it "infiltrating." A variation is the creation of a single-issue organization by a coalition of otherwise politically diverse groups. During the anti-war movement, the united front coalition was a resounding success in helping to mobilize millions of demonstrators, but it also engendered political hostilities on the Left that persist to this day.

As the SWP saw the coalition, its central purpose was to organize the greatest possible public opposition to the war, not to create a new political entity. It therefore strongly opposed the attempts by other organizations in the coalition to include additional issues -- such as racism and economic injustice -- in the protests. It also opposed any acts that might frighten away or antagonize people, and so refused to support many of the most militant and most publicized anti-war actions, particularly those acts involving civil disobedience -- such as draft card burning and the demonstrations at the Pentagon and Chicago.

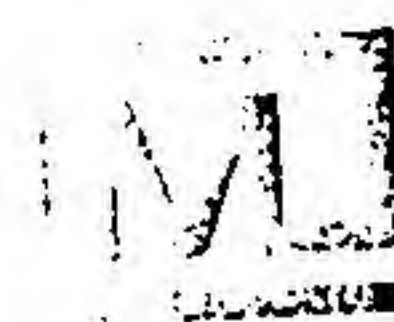
Thus, Michael Harrington, himself a social democrat, comments with barbed humor: "The SWP behaved in the peace movement like perfect social democrats. For all their professed Bolshevism, tactically they were for reaching out and working with liberals, they were against violence, they were against provocations of the cops -- they behaved exactly the way I would have behaved."

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LONDON (CUP) -- The Ontario minister of health says salaries for Ontario's nurses should be lowered since graduate nurses are in short demand.

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"If we reduce the price, then we can raise the number of people employed, the overall cost remains constant," said the minister whose cutbacks in health spending have closed several hospitals in the provinces this year.

Nurses at the session on health cutbacks complained many gradu-

ates must emigrate to the United States where job prospects are better but wages are lower.

Miller said many Ontario hospitals now can hire experienced nurses whose wages are not much higher than starting salaries paid to recent graduates.

On the matter of hospital closures, over which Miller has faced a number of legal battles, he suggested the introduction of legislation to end the matter.

Miller said his government is closing hospitals and cutting back on health services "not only to save money but to bring the quality of health care up to the level of what the people expect."

By Terry Knowles

Wiley's

Despite losing one of the star performers, Rand Dyck, to illness, and despite Bonimart's abstinence refusal to order a new stock of apple cider, U.C.'s coffee house, Wiley's Femur, was open as usual on Sunday, Nov. 7.

The evening started a wee bit late with two of the management pitching in - Adele Massena on guitar and Terry Knowles accompanying, did a set of folk and popular songs. They were immediately followed by Richard Rochefort's magic act, which is always good for a laugh. (No, I'm not being nasty - It's a comedy act routine.)

Steven Greenfield on piano did an excellent job of capping off the

musical entertainment for the night, treating the audience to a set ranging from Beethoven's ode to Joy to selections from "Superstar" - all very well done.

And it seems to be the night for magic acts, as Barb Heinrich then proceeded to dazzle us all with some - literally - incredible magic tricks, which I'm still trying to figure out...

Nov. 14th: Pete West and Dave Foster will be back, John Still will be on for the first time, and Lynn Robert and Adele Massena will be there too! So will you, we hope!!!

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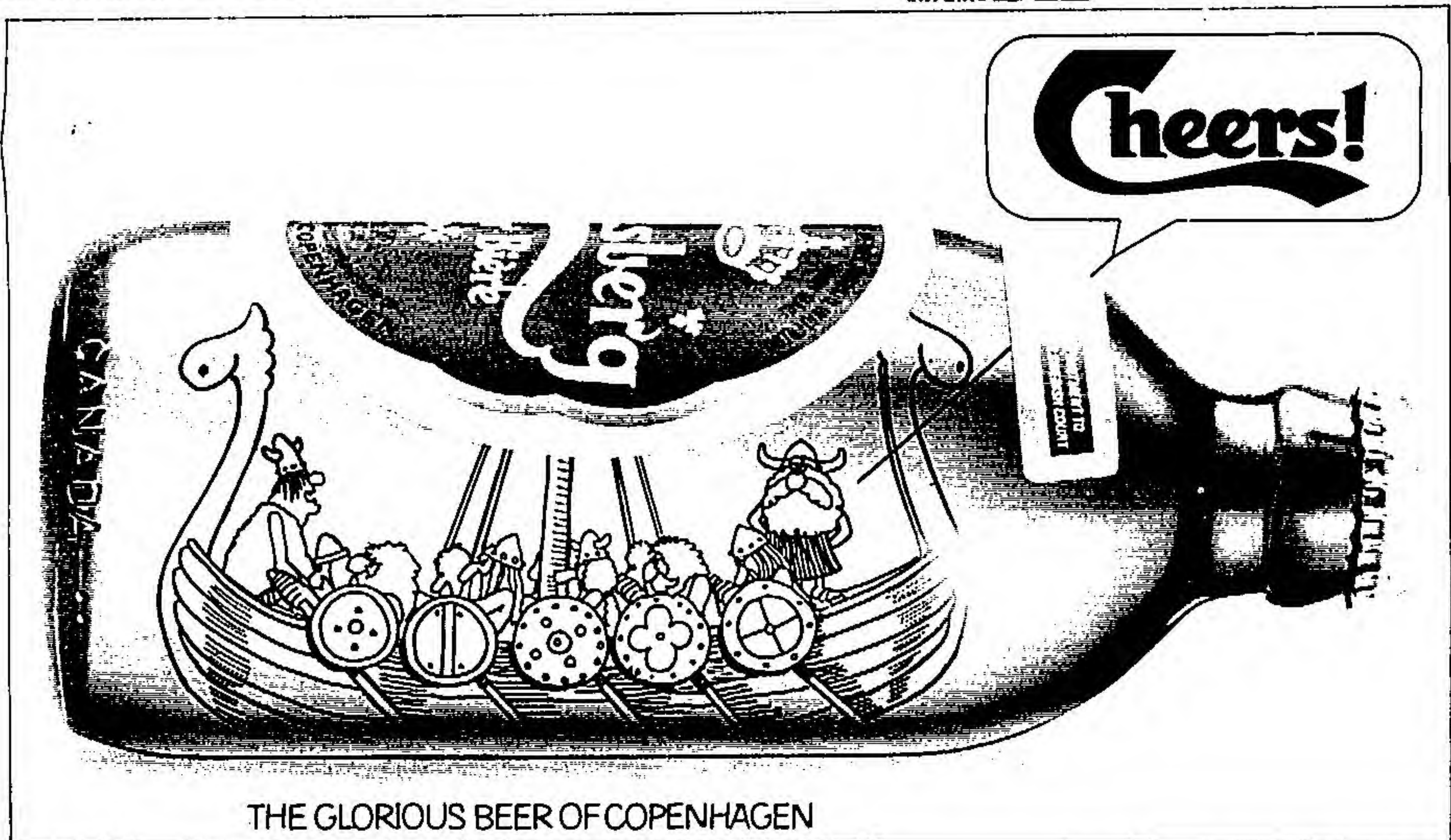
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One Last Shot

By Dave Hamilton

The Voyageurs journeyed west this past weekend to play the Brandon University Bobcats of the Great Plains Athletic Conference. They had a good weekend, coming away with two convincing wins; scoring 7 to 1 and 8 to 2 victories.

On Friday, the Voyageurs opened up in the third period after leading 1 to 0 after the first period, and 3 to 1 after the second. The team finished strong with four goals in the third period coming away with a 7 to 1 win. The Bobcats are a good solid club. They stayed with the Vees well into the final period. Still the superior conditioning of the Vees wore them down. Third period strength is becoming a ritual with the Vees. It proved that the training program undertaken by the team was time well spent.

The goal scoring was not limited to the stars. Gil Gasparini led the way with 2 goals and 1 assist. Steve DeMarco and Dennis Gazdic each tallied 1 goal and two assists. Tim Heale, Paul Triceo and Tim Strotzline rounded out the scoring with 1 goal apiece. 1 on O'Hara was tough in the nets; he blocked 28 shots, including a penalty shot in the third period.

Saturday's game showed that the Vees had lots of power. Rick Brown, played his third game of the year. He turned in an excellent performance. The rookie from Lakefield, Ont. stopped 29 shots, many of them difficult, on the way to an 8 to 2 victory. Leading scorer in this victory was Charles Hamilton with 2 goals and 2 assists. Bill Mihalic and Tim Heale each notched 3 assists. Tim

Stortini and Norm Ethier each scored and was scored a lot of goals, as they have in the past. The goals against is the balance Jack has been looking to defend against, and this, combined with third period strength, has given the Vees more wins this season.

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HOCKEY

The Vees will again be competing in the OUA - Eastern Division along with Toronto, York, Queen's, and Ottawa. Consensus is that U. of T. and York will do battle for 1st place, leaving U. of Q. and U. of O. to battle it out for the third and final playoff spot. A big step in the Vees quest for the playoffs was taken last weekend when they lost Queen's 3-3, then beat them 8 to 6.

Hopefully, the Vees can keep their unbeaten streak alive this weekend when they host the University of Toronto Gee Gees at the Sudbury Arena. They play at 8 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 20, and at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday. It will be an interesting weekend of hockey for Voyageur fans. The Vees need the wins and could use a little more support from Laurentian.

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Struggle only begun

By Gary Shea

The Laurentian volleyball Vees have yet to make a road trip without somebody being on the injured list. Riddled with the flu and injuries they left behind outstanding Spiker Mike Heclimovich,

Their toughest competition yet awaited them at the Queens Tourney. Playing against all Ontario "A A" senior teams, they escaped with four victories and lost only four including two to last years Senior "A A" champions in Ontario, Ottawa Onion Patch.

The Vees reversed their play from two weeks earlier at Brock when they would win the last game after a disastrous opener. At Queens the Vees whipped their opponents in the first game only to suffer a let-down and drop the second. Against the Ottawa Sokol Club the Vees penetrated easily in the first game behind the spiking of Ken Barker and won 15 - 9. In the second game, The Vees looked disorganized as Coach Lafroy experimented with player changes. They went down 15 - 12 after coming back from a 12 - 2 deficit and tying it at one point 12 - 12.

The Ottawa Onion Patch averted the Vees and crushed them 15 - 6 in the first game. Realizing the potential of the Vees, we came back and led at one point 11 - 9 but the Onion Patch machine recovered to win 15 - 12. Psyched up after that close call they throttled the Montreal Czech Sokol Club 15 - 4 and 15 - 10. The Vees then played the Slovenian Sports Club and ripped through them 15 - 9 in the first game. A mental lapse and sloppy defensive work plus some more experimenting resulting in the Vees on the receiving end of their fourth loss.

The Playoffs forced the squad to play the tough Toronto Macabees, and starting to tire, the Vees went out straight, losing 15 - 9, and 15 - 10.

Paul "Boo Radley" Beland was the outstanding Vee in the tournament pulping the ball through and around blocks for 20 spikes. Add the 28 assists and an excellent defensive digging motion and the "Boo came through.

Brent Baker, coming back rather quickly after his achilles tendon injury, was next accounting for 14 spikes. Ken Barker and Andre 'Le Glant' Tremblay each had ten. To get those spikes the 'Groundhog' had to come through and he did. Tim H Hansen had 68 assists to his credit and mixed up the attack with front, long and short, and back sets to keep the opposition leary of what Laurentian had to offer. The team looks healthy with only a few nagging injuries lapping at the team. They went to RMC this weekend to enter into league play for the first time and if everybody's there and the "Goon Squad" pressures the

starting six to perform high to expectations then they should come back undefeated and in first place after weekend play.

The "Pine Picker" of the week award was handed out Thursday nite to "Needles" Marchuk, his stories and vocal cheerleading perked up the good squad and kept the starter working hard. A close second was Steve "The Sleeper" Janusz who was still recovering from a deadly spike mauled at him by the "Boo" in practice and it dinged him in the head.

Rich "Bert" Rochefort is happy to announce that he's now playing with the good squad and with the best serve reception record on the team should be entertaining opposing players with those big mitts of his when blocking.

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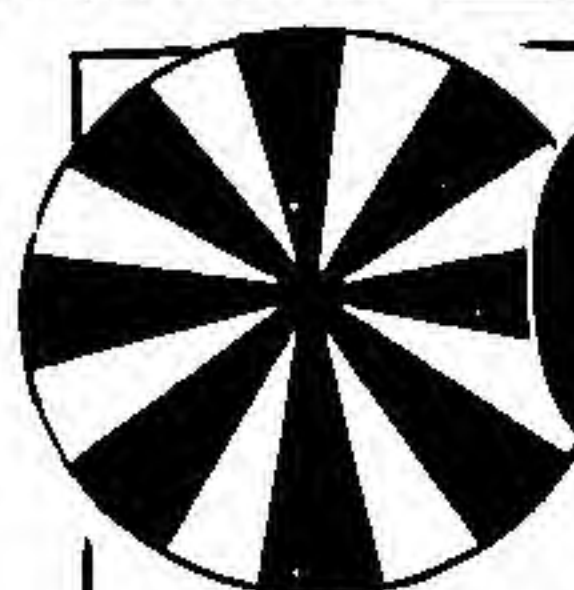
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illusion, so well orchestrated by the Bourassa campaign, that Quebec is voting for or against Separation.

Well, my poor compatriots, you live under an illusion. What our neighbours are deciding is similar to what we have to decide here. Do we continue with old corrupt political parties or do we vote for new faces with honest refreshing ideas that offer a viable demanding alternative to the worst form of Canadian political patronage. I would be dismayed but not surprised that my conservative cousins in Quebec voted for the status quo, rather than risk a political jump into cold water.

However, I feel that they might see that the water is only tepid, that four hundred years of history has taught them how to judge the currents, and that once you're in, the swimming isn't so bad. I even hope that they might like the feeling of deciding what rules they will swim by. After all, thirty years of Conservative rule in Ontario helps us find it kind of fun to splash around and try a little socialism, capitalist style in true blue Ontario.

So if our neighbours decide to loosen the shackles of political reality we in Ontario should admire their nerve to maybe take a little more active participation in their pseudo-democratic state. Maybe they can show us a light here in Central Canada that we have needed for many a year. Western Canada continually rejuvenates itself with new vitality so why can't we.

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B-Ball Vees

By Dave Wells

When Richie Spears and his ken's basketball team left Sudbury on Friday, they thought the games they were playing would be for league rankings. As it turns out, when the Vees returned on Saturday night they were the last of Canada's top three teams to be undefeated.

Not only did the Vees come up by winning two games in Toronto but another O.U.A.A. East team, Carleton, knocked off previously unbeaten Waterloo. Combine this with the fact that Manitoba has already gone down to defeat this season and you see that the Vees have jumped into the lead in the hunt for the national crown.

Spicing up the situation is the fact that the Vees play Carleton at home next Friday night at 8 p.m. Carleton appears to be the Vees' strongest competition this year so you can look for a barn burner.

In Toronto, the Vees came up with two victories, 97 - 87 over the U. of T. and 106 - 64 over Ryerson's. The victories leave the Vees record of 4 - 0 in league action.

Friday night against Toronto, the Vees came out cold and were down 51 - 46 at half time. However, a strong display of teamwork and an effective press, turned things around in the second half. Jeff Bennett scored 27 points for Laurentian and picked up 17 big rebounds. After suffering through a one point first half, Mike Heale got hot and finished the game with 21.

Saturday afternoon against Ryerson the Vees played excellent defense throughout, in holding the Rams to 64 points. Both press and man to man defences worked well. Not only did the defence work but the Vees still managed to reach 100 points for the fourth time in seven games. Jeff Bennett again led Laurentian in scoring with 28 points. Mike Heale added 18 and played his usual strong defensive game. Remi Dolecetti while not scoring well, did pick up 15 rebounds. All weekend long, the presence of

Steve Pettifer, Pat Signorotti, and floor. Varouj Gurunlian was felt by opponents trying to bring the ball up the

floor. "I was most pleased by the improvement shown in our individual defence", said Coach Spears. "I feel we are now ready to take on Carleton or anyone else for that matter."

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By Debbie Snow

The Veas travelled to Guelph and
McMaster and came home with two
decisive victories. Friday night the

Veas defeated Guelph 86 - 22. Ch-
Corinne Cobb. High scorer for Gu-
ris Critelli played a good two-way
game, leading the scoring with 27
points. Kim Hansen played a great
game scoring 12 points. A
good defensive game was put in by

elph was July Antonio with 6 points.
Saturday's game saw the Veas de-
feated MacMaster 88 - 33. Kim Han-
sen played another bustling game to
complete a good weekend. Chris
Critelli, Pam Tremblay and Michelle
Pelanger improved their game on
the boards, grabbing 6, 6, and 5 re-
bounds respectively. Top scorers
for the game were Kim Hansen with
16, Michelle Pelanger with 15, Jan
Tremblay with 14, and Chris Critel-
li with 11. Top scorer for MacMas-
ter was Geri Walraven with 7 poin-
ts.

This weekend the Veas play their
first home games of the season, me-
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